

REMARKS:

The Office action mailed July 2, 2004 has been received and carefully considered. Reconsideration of the Claims as amended hereby is respectfully requested.

Claims 27 to 49 were rejected in the most recent action and are canceled in the present application in order to move the present application toward issuance. However, applicant reserves the option to include canceled Claims 27 to 49 in a continuation application if it is deemed useful to do so.

Claims 50 and 51 were also rejected. Claim 50 is previously presented Claim 8 from which a number of other claims depend and Claim 51 is not a claim that is believed to be rejectable for the reasons stated. It is believed the Claims 50 and 51 were inadvertently included in the group of Claims 27 to 49. Therefore, withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 50 and 51 is earnestly requested.

Consequently, it is urged that the application is now in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone, if prosecution of this application can be expedited thereby.

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